GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
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POPULATION OF URBAN POORS
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a): whether any survey has been conducted to assess the population of urban-poors and the problems being faced by them throughout the country;

(b): if so, the details thereof; and

(c): if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a)to(c): So far as Ministry of Urban Development& Poverty Alleviation is concerned, no such survey has been undertaken. However, the Planning Commission had provided a statement on `Estimate of Poverty` (1993-94) according to which number or persons below poverty line in Urban Areas is 763.37 lakhs. Their incomes are below the level absolutely necessary for meeting basic minimum needs e.g. food, shelter, education, health and nutrition etc.